STRATHCONAS AFTER DEWET.

They Join in the Chase After the Noted Guerilla.

DETAILS OF ONE FIGHT.

Roberts at Cape Town—What Oscar Thinks of the War—Fencing in Johannesburg—Barn Burning—The Canadians in England—Will Sail for Home To-morrow.

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The Chase is Hot.

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De Wet's Cohorts.

London, Dec. 7. [illegible] War Office [illegible]

Trying to Wear Him Down.

[illegible]

Canadians at Woodstock.

London, Dec. 7. [illegible] eight [illegible] Dr. [illegible] at Woodstock [illegible] through [illegible] the Queen's Consort.

The [illegible] were [illegible] in the Royal Military College [illegible] parade, and especially relished the march through the crowded streets by the presence of the band of the Toronto Highlanders.

To-day marks the close of the entertainment by the Canadians.

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De Wet came up and reinforced the enemy, who now numbered 2000 men. He attacked from the west, south, and north, with his guns and pom-poms, and shelled on three sides heavily at long ranges. In the dusk the convoy and troops, except the Royal Scots Fusiliers, who held two kopjes to the south, moved from the plain on to a hill to the east at the same time holding the river and making the railway station at the bend of the line, the hospital, which, though beyond the picket lines, was within range of all the guns and pom-poms. Two guns and a pom-pom were on the shoulder of the hill, the naval gun and two field guns being on the summit and the others at the base. Early in the morning the enemy's guns came from the northwest, to which the guns replied on our convoy. At 7.30 shells into it with [illegible] over and [illegible] so that [illegible] the hill [illegible] receiving the [illegible] fire [illegible] failed to [illegible] over the [illegible] Cross ambulance wagon [illegible] Boers would understand [illegible] of his mission. The moment [illegible] balance appeared on the sky-line Boers concentrated a fire on it at a distance of 401 yards. The native ambulance driver was killed and another assistant was wounded. The latter and the wounded gunner had to remain unattended until night.

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In conclusion, Mr. Bar[illegible] "The British are [illegible] the Boers what they thought [illegible] station. The Boers must put up with that. The Boers behaved [illegible] selves bravely, but they had good positions to defend."

An "Exciting Pastime."

[illegible] Dec. 9.—Interesting side-lights on the conditions of the South African war are being supplied to [illegible] by members of their families [illegible] The following passage is from a letter written by a bushman to his mother:—

"Burning farms is rather an exciting pastime. You ride up and tell the people to remove all their things, as you propose burning their residence. The women and children all start howling at once. There is no time to lose, however; all hands start carting out the things and a fire is soon going.

"It is necessary to keep away from the burning place, as the roof and ceilings are all full of cartridges, which explode as soon as the fire gets to them, and if you are not careful the women are not above taking a rifle and having a shot in the general scramble."

Canadians in London.

London, Dec. 9. The reception of the Canadian contingent at the Imperial Institute last evening was a jolly affair. Over a thousand invitations had been issued and the great hall and adjoining galleries were thronged with Canadian residents of London, who had turned out in good and [illegible] numbers. [illegible] Lord Strathcona [illegible] guests at the house to the great [illegible] Canadians [illegible] Lord Strathcona [illegible] Major [illegible] Canadian [illegible] Lord Minto [illegible] Lord Aberdeen [illegible] Lord Dundonald [illegible] Lord Cheylesmore [illegible] Lord Lansdowne [illegible] Lord Salisbury [illegible] Lord Roberts [illegible] Lord Kitchener [illegible] Lord Brassey [illegible] Lord Rosebery [illegible] Lord Cromer [illegible] Lord Rosmead [illegible] Lord Curzon [illegible] Lord Ampthill [illegible] Lord Stanley [illegible] Lord Knutsford [illegible] Lord Ashbourne [illegible] Lord Cranworth [illegible] Lord Denman [illegible] Lord Hindlip [illegible] Lord Leigh [illegible] Lord Lovat [illegible] Lord Lurgan [illegible] Lord Monkswell [illegible] Lord Newlands [illegible] Lord Ormonde [illegible] Lord Rathmore [illegible] Lord Rayleigh [illegible] Lord Sandhurst [illegible] Lord Sheffield [illegible] Lord Stalbridge [illegible] Lord Stanmore [illegible] Lord Tweedmouth [illegible] Lord Wolverton [illegible] Lord Zouche [illegible] Lord Ashcombe [illegible] Lord Belper [illegible] Lord Brabourne [illegible] Lord Brougham [illegible] Lord Chelmsford [illegible] Lord Clifford [illegible] Lord Clinton [illegible] Lord Colchester [illegible] Lord Colville [illegible] Lord Cottesloe [illegible] Lord Cranbrook [illegible] Lord Dorchester [illegible] Lord Dunmore [illegible] Lord Egerton [illegible] Lord Fitzhardinge [illegible] Lord Forbes [illegible] Lord Gifford [illegible] Lord Grey [illegible] Lord Hawke [illegible] Lord Hood [illegible] Lord Hopetoun [illegible] Lord Kenyon [illegible] Lord Kinnaird [illegible] Lord Lamington [illegible] Lord Leconfield [illegible] Lord Lilford [illegible] Lord Lyttelton [illegible] Lord Mayo [illegible] Lord Monteagle [illegible] Lord Northbourne [illegible] Lord Northwick [illegible] Lord Penzance [illegible] Lord Rendlesham [illegible] Lord Rolleston [illegible] Lord Rotherham [illegible] Lord Sherborne [illegible] Lord Stuart de Rothesay [illegible] Lord Thurlow [illegible] Lord Tollemache [illegible] Lord Vernon [illegible] Lord Wenlock [illegible] Lord Wimborne [illegible] Lord Zouche [illegible] Lord Ashcombe [illegible] Lord Belper [illegible] Lord Brabourne [illegible] Lord Brougham [illegible] Lord Chelmsford [illegible] Lord Clifford [illegible] Lord Clinton [illegible] Lord Colchester [illegible] Lord Colville [illegible] Lord Cottesloe [illegible] Lord Cranbrook [illegible] Lord Dorchester [illegible] Lord Dunmore [illegible] Lord Egerton [illegible] Lord Fitzhardinge [illegible] Lord Forbes [illegible] Lord Gifford [illegible] Lord Grey [illegible] Lord Hawke [illegible] Lord Hood [illegible] Lord Hopetoun [illegible] Lord Kenyon [illegible] Lord Kinnaird [illegible] Lord Lamington [illegible] Lord Leconfield [illegible] Lord Lilford [illegible] Lord Lyttelton [illegible] Lord Mayo [illegible] Lord Monteagle [illegible] Lord Northbourne [illegible] Lord Northwick [illegible] Lord Penzance [illegible] Lord Rendlesham [illegible] Lord Rolleston [illegible] Lord Rotherham [illegible] Lord Sherborne [illegible] Lord Stuart de Rothesay [illegible] Lord Thurlow [illegible] Lord Tollemache [illegible] Lord Vernon [illegible] Lord Wenlock [illegible] Lord Wimborne [illegible] Lord Zouche [illegible]

THE BRITISH PARLIAMENT.

Salisbury Says the War Must Go On.

NO INTERFERENCE ALLOWED

Lord Rosebery Makes a Spirited Attack in the Commons—Chamberlain is Bitterly Assailed—The Liberals Wild—Chamberlain Replies.

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Lord Salisbury's Reply.

[illegible]

Lord Rosebery.

[illegible]

The War Estimates.

[illegible]

Chamberlain's Address.

It was nearly 11 o'clock before he rose to reply to the assaults of attack launched against him. How great a strain he had undergone was evident in the scarcely suppressed excitement of tone on the part of one rarely known to show feeling in the House. He began by [illegible] accused Mr. [illegible] of being [illegible] He denied, [illegible] any accusations against his own personal integrity. He declared that the special pains on the [illegible] of Parliament had been [illegible] the attack upon him [illegible] Lord Rosebery in the recent [illegible] the Liberal [illegible] to order, and Mr. Chamberlain with [illegible]

Mr. Balfour's Announcement.

[illegible]

CHAPLAIN WAS A HERO.

The Rev. James Robertson, of the Highland Brigade.

HIS WORK AT MAGERSFONTEIN.

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